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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or it's equivalent
17. ☒ Other: Copy of the Petition to Extend Time filed concurrently in application serial no. 09/921,017.

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/921,017 filed August 2, 2001 which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional application no. 60/222,785, filed August 3, 2000.

Prior application information: Examiner: Truong, T.

Group Art Unit: 1624

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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Art Unit 1624

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), of pending prior application no. 09/921,017 filed on August 2, 2001 which claims the benefit of U.S. provisional application no. 60/222,785, filed August 3, 2000.

of Aslam

(inventor(s) currently of record in prior application)

for Polymorphs of Zaleplon and Methods for the Preparation Thereof

(title of invention)

1. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

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TYPE	NO. FILED	LESS	EXTRA	EXTRA RATE	FEE
Total Claims	61	- 20	41	\$18.00 each	\$ 738.00
Independent	22	- 3	19	\$86.00 each	\$ 1,634.00
Minimum Fee					\$ 770.00
Multiple Dependency Fee					\$ 0.00
If Applicable (\$290.00)					\$ 0.00
Total					\$ 770.00
Applicant qualifies for the 50% Reduction for Independent Inventor, Nonprofit Organization or Small Business Concern					\$ 0.00
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2. ☐ Please charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. .04-1105 A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 3a. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 3b. ☒ A copy of the specification, identical to that of the pending prior application and containing no new matter, is enclosed.
- 4a. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
- 4b. ☒ Informal drawings are enclosed.

- 5a. ☐ Priority of application no. filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- 5b. ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application no. , filed .
6. ☒ The prior application is assigned to Jones Pharma Incorporated; the assignment was recorded with the PTO November 4, 2003.
- 7a. ☒ A copy of the Power of Attorney filed in the prior application no. 09/921,017, filed Aug. 2, 2001 is enclosed. (6 pages)
- 7b. ☒ A Power of Attorney is enclosed. Copy of Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest (Revocation of Prior Powers) prior application no. 09/921,017. (2 pages)
8. ☐ This application contains nucleic acid and/or amino acid sequences required to be disclosed in a Sequence Listing under 37 CFR §§1.821-1.825. It is requested that the Sequence Listing in computer readable form from prior application no., filed on be made a part of the present application as provided for by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e). The sequences disclosed therein are the same as the sequences disclosed in this application. A copy of the paper Sequence Listing from application no. is enclosed.
9. ☐ The undersigned states, under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), that the content of the enclosed paper Sequence Listing from application no. is the same as the content of the computer readable form submitted in application no. .
10. ☐ DO NOT PUBLISH. I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).
11. ☒ Additional enclosures or instruction: Applicants note that a Petition to Extend Time for three (3) months is concurrently filed in connection with pending prior application no. 09/921,017 (a copy is enclosed herewith). Applicants also submit herewith a copy of the executed declarations filed in prior application serial no. 09/921,017 filed August 2, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

Date December 12, 2003

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Application of:	Aslam et al.	Confirmation No.:	5844
Serial No.:	09/921,017	Art Unit:	1624
Filed:	August 2, 2001	Examiner:	Truong T.
For:	Polymorphs of Zaleplon and Methods for the Preparation Thereof	Attorney Docket No:	60484 (46453) (formerly 0630/1J599- US1)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Final Office Action dated June 13, 2003 be extended for a period of three (3) months from September 13, 2003 to and including December 13, 2003 to permit the filing of a continuation application.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$950. Please charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 04-1105. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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